Homeowner Permit Information



Are you thinking about doing some home improvements? You may be wondering if you need a permit.

Examples of projects that WILL need a permit:

 Water Heater Replacement 	 Furnace/AC Replacement
 Remodel 	 Addition
 Reroof 	 Sheds Over 200 sq feet
 Fences 	New Landscaping
 Re-Routing Plumbing, Electrical or Mechanical Lines 	Window Replacement
Siding Replacement	 Decks
• Pergolas	 Covered Patios
Car Ports	Garages
Basement Finishes	

Examples of projects that WILL NOT need a permit:

•	Painting	New Carpet
•	New Cabinets (as long as plumbing/electrical/mechanical do not change)	 Replacing Fixtures (as long as location stays the same)
•	Concrete Flatwork (unless it is a public sidewalk or requires a curb cut to the street)	

Why should I pull a permit?

- Safety is the number one priority, our building inspectors are trained to ensure your home project is done safely and meets code minimums.
- Not obtaining a permit could impact a home sale at a later date and could even affect the value of your home.

What if my project doesn't require a permit?

- With or without a permit, homeowners are required to meet municipal setback requirements and to ensure they are not building on utility easements.
- Check out the municipal code or call the building department for setback requirements and refer to your property deed or contact the utility company for easements.

Do I have to hire a Contractor?

- If you own the home and do not have intention of renting or selling the property, you can do the work yourself.
- If you prefer to hire a contractor, the Town of Bennett requires Contractor Licensing, we make sure that contractors holding licenses are insured and have the knowledge/experience to complete the job correctly.

Did you know that we have building handouts on our website that can help guide you through many common homeowner projects? Many outdoor projects are also eligible for the Town's Residential Vibrancy Initiative, a grant to help residents fund exterior home improvement projects.

More information, grant applications, and helpful handouts can be found at townofbennett.colorado.gov. If you have more questions, contact the building department by calling 303-644-3249 or emailing bennettbuilding@bennett.co.us.						